EC Grant Helps Women in Kenya
A volunteer community service grant enabled a physician to serve women in far away Kenya.

WHAT MIGHT SEEM like a small grant to some – just $1,000 – is making a big difference in the lives of women in Kenya. Many women in the U.S. may take their yearly check for cervical cancer — the Pap smear — for granted. But in Kenya, a woman may have to travel more than 300 miles to get to a health clinic.

When Redlands physician Evelyn Thomas learned that cervical cancer was the leading cause of death among women in developing countries, she vowed to do something to change that. She’s a retired clinical assistant professor of obstetrics and gynecology from the Keck School of Medicine at USC, so in 1999 she joined Professional Analyzing Pap Smears (PAPS Team Int’l). It’s an all-volunteer group made up of physicians, nurses and cytotechnologists.

THOMAS volunteered to go to Kenya, and was responsible for her own airfare. So last year she applied for one of the Emeriti Center’s first Volunteer Community Service Grants, which will reimburse for expenses that

The Living History Project Is On Track to Gather Recollections
Are you curious about what the university was like during the post-WW II years when GIs flooded the campus? Just check out the Emeriti Center’s interview of Bob Mannes, who taught during those years.

Or maybe you just want to know what the academic atmosphere was like during the 1950’s, or you’re curious about what some former USC presidents believe are the hallmarks of their years at the helm? Again, you can watch interviews from a variety of

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Greetings from the Executive Director

Dear colleagues,

To those near and far, we wish you a very happy and healthy New Year and thank the many dedicated individuals who have volunteered time, funds, advice, and information to make the USC Retiree Community even more productive and vibrant!

First, I’d like to report the very exciting news that Provost C. L. Max Nikias has approved our request to fund Gloria M. Reyes and Jennifer Ontai, our assistant directors, at full-time status. While acknowledging the important work done by these colleagues, it also means our office will now be open all five days of the week, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., beginning Feb. 1, to better serve our Trojan Family.

Communication is our top priority this year. In this effort, we have expanded Emeriti Center e-mail communications and will be working to separate e-mail messages for local residents who might attend USC events from those who live too far away to attend. We are also looking for volunteers to establish distance support networks for those far away. In addition, we are collecting information for the 2007 USC Campus Directory so that we can all be more connected to the USC Community. We invite you to update your records, and FAX or e-mail or mail the updates to our office so that we can list accurate information in the directory. You’ll find a directory information form inserted in this newsletter.

As a result of the hard work surrounding the strategic plan and the strategic planning retreat, we are creating committees to address important USC Retiree Community needs. If you haven’t already done so, please let us know if you have an interest in being a part of any of these committees. Please visit http://www.usc.edu/emeriti center to learn about ways you may help.

Keep your recommendations, ideas, and advice coming! We appreciate your participation and support!

Best regards, Janette

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A Message From the President of the Retired Faculty Association: Robert Coffey

This year is moving by quickly, but important progress is being made. Our goal is to build a stronger, more cohesive USC Retirement Community that is better able to serve its constituents, the university, and the larger community. An essential element in achieving this goal is a stronger integration of the units within the Emeriti Center, including the Retired Faculty Association, the Staff Retirement Association, and the Emeriti Center College.

Excellent progress has been made. The various groups communicate and work together better than ever. The heads of each group meet regularly, and both the Retired Faculty Association and Staff Retirement Association send a representative to each other’s board meetings. One mark of progress this year has been the development of several excellent programs sponsored jointly by the RFA, SRA, and ECC. We hope that many of you will attend and enjoy several of the remaining programs.

Several people are spearheading this effort, including Bob Stallings, Bob Biller, Bob Scales, and Mike Halloran. They are striving to improve our ability to communicate electronically by building a listserv and an improved Web site. Communicating via the internet and websites both speeds communication and reduces expenses significantly. One mailing to all retired faculty alone can cost more than

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News From USC’s Emeriti Center College

As the new Director of the Emeriti Center College, I’m pleased to announce the formation of an Advisory Group that has consented to assist me in the direction and work of the ECC. Included in the Advisory Group are Michael Appleman, Bill Faith, Lois Friss, Ron Gottesman, Guilbert Hentschke, Bruce Juell, Sherry May and Barbara Solomon.

We are enthusiastic about the various activities that are forthcoming this spring and hope that you will take part in some of our programs.

The Emeriti Center College and the Los Angeles Central Library cordially invite you to attend the Downtown Lecture Series on “Arts and Los Angeles Who is Influencing Who?” to be held on Feb. 28, March 28 and April 25, 2006. Please RSVP by calling (213) 740-7122.

The first course in the new initiative of “Teaching and Learning Without Borders” is being offered by Dr. Norman Sigband, Distinguished Emeritus Professor, USC Graduate School of Business. He will speak on “Communication: Your Most Effective Tool for Excellent Relationships, Happiness and Good Health.” The four-part course will be held on Mondays, March 6, 13, 20 and 27, from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at St. John of God Retirement Care Center. Please RSVP by calling (213) 740-7122.

Meetings have begun exploring possible collaboration of the Emeriti Center with the Leonard Davis School of Gerontology. After attending the USC Retiree Strategic Planning Retreat last fall, Dr. James Birren, Professor and Dean Emeritus, School of Gerontology, has suggested the creation of a survey to explore the retirement attitudes and plans of the active USC faculty and staff. With the Baby Boomers (born between 1946-1964) turning 60 and moving toward a retirement age, the expectation is that this group will redefine retirement. Collaboration with the School of Gerontology and the cooperation of the active university community will be instrumental in making this project a reality. Please call me at (213) 740-1289 if you are interested in participating in this endeavor.

The ECC Speaker Directory is now available on the Emeriti Center College Web site at www.usc.edu/emeriticenter. Please contact Judith Diaz, Assistant Director, at (213) 740-8841, if you are interested in speaking for the Emeriti Center College or if you would like to schedule a speaker for an event.

– Robert R. Scales, Ph.D., Director, Emeriti Center College

Programs for the USC Retiree Community, Presented by the EC, ECC, RFA or the SRA

Feb. 15, 2 p.m. (ECC)
“Creating the Skirball Cultural Center: A Surprising Odyssey”
Robert Biller, Emeritus Professor, Public Administration
• (call 213-740-7122 for L.A. location)

Feb. 16, 10:30 a.m. (ECC)
“The Art of Goya, Modigliani and Chagall, Part I”
Karen Lansky, graduate, USC Museum Studies
• (call (213)740-7122 for Westside location)

Feb. 22, 6:45 p.m. (ECC)
“The Genius of Native Health Practitioners: The Tohono O’Odham Strategy”

Robert Biller, Emeritus Professor, Public Adm.
• USC Orange County Center, Rm. B
2300 Michelson Dr., Irvine 92612

Feb. 23, 10:30 (ECC)
“The Art of Goya, Modigliani and Chagall Part II”
Karen Lansky (see Feb. 16 listing)

Feb. 23, 1 p.m. (ECC)
“The Supreme Court”
David Mars, Professor (retired) USC SPPD
• (call 213-740-7122 for Lakewood location)

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<td>“Art and Life in Los Angeles”</td>
<td>Edward Goldman, Art Critic and Host of “Art Talk,” on KCRW 89.9 FM, Tuesdays at 6:44 p.m. (RSVP 213-740-7122)</td>
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<td>How Communication Works: Gateways and Barriers</td>
<td>Vasisht K. Malhotra, Professor (retired), International Relations</td>
<td>Los Angeles Pierce Colleges, 6201 Winnetka Ave., #341, Woodland Hills</td>
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<td>The Exodus Story and the Shaping of a Nation from Slavery to Freedom</td>
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<td>Risks and Economic Impacts of Terrorism</td>
<td>Detlof Von Winterfeldt, SPPD/Engineering Director, USC Homeland Security Center</td>
<td>Peter Gorden, SPPD, and Fernando Ordonez, Engineering</td>
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<td>Kenneth Breisch, Ph.D., Director, USC Architectural Preservation Program</td>
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Opportunities

• The Literacy Project is looking for volunteers to mentor children one-on-one in literacy. The program would love to have retired faculty members participate in the program. The Project works with the Family of Five neighborhood schools that surround USC. Volunteers can work with youngsters one or two hours per week M-F between the hours of 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. Send an e-mail to Jen Rossmier at <rossmeie@usc.edu> or call (213-740-1834) if you’re interested in helping a child learn to love to read.

• The President of the USC St. Louis Alumni Association, Scott Prost-Domasky has contacted the Emeriti Center College in regards to inviting an Emeritus Professor to speak for their group in 2006. Any interested speakers who may be traveling to that part of the country, or may know of someone who is living in that area who may be interested, please contact Judith Diaz at (213) 740-8841.

• Bob Knight of USC’s Andrus Gerontology Center is recruiting participants for a study of the ways in which emotions influence our thinking. Adults between 60 and 80 years of age are needed. The project should take about 90 minutes and participants will be seen at the Andrus Center. When you respond, please specify which days of the week or times of day are best for you. To volunteer, contact Jennifer Dave at 213-740-7637 (press 1 for voice mail) or e-mail to jennifbd@usc.edu

In Memoriam

We honor and mourn our university colleagues who have recently passed. Those who were recorded by press time by the Emeriti Center are:

In 2005: Telfer Reynolds (Keck School, medicine), John Schutz (LAS, history), James B. Vernon (Viterbi School of Engineering, mechanical engineering)

In 2006: Raoul “Rod” Dedeaux (Sports, baseball coach) and Bernard “Bud” Abbott (LAS, biological sciences); Endesha Ida Mae Holland (Theatre, playwright)

If you know of colleagues we have missed, please contact the Emeriti Center at (213) 740-8921, or send an e-mail to: <emeriti@usc.edu>

2006 USC Campus Directories Are Here!

The 2006 USC University Telephone Directory is ready for distribution. You may pick up your free copy at the USC Emeriti Center in GER 220, Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. beginning Feb. 6, or you may request that one be mailed to you.

To cover shipping costs, please send a $10 check made payable to the USC Emeriti Center to 3715 McClintock Ave., Rm. 220, Los Angeles, CA 90089-0191.

Please indicate on the check and on the outside of the envelope “for telephone directory.”

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otherwise would come out of retirement income.

The grant program, funded by the Leibovitz Foundation, gives grants from $100 to $1,000 to fund volunteer activities expenses that might otherwise have to come out of retirement income.

In Thomas’ case, the funds went towards her airfare to Kenya, where she and other volunteers have now trained more than two dozen local nurses and four doctors. So when the volunteer team leaves there are local health care personnel and equipment to carry on the work.

Next, PAPS Team Int’l plans to open clinics in Nairobi, where the need is also great, said Thomas.

Be Prepared, Not Scared

When Harriett Porch spoke about earthquake preparedness in mid-January at the Gerontology Auditorium she stressed the need to be proactive.

“Fear is our biggest enemy,” she said, “and planning is the key to survival and recovery.”

Since taking early retirement from USC in the 1980’s Porch formed a company that helps folks prepare for disasters. She said FEMA, the Red Cross, and state and local governments all have Web sites with emergency preparedness information.

(A longer article on Porch will appear in June.)
FOR JAZZ LOVERS AND SOON-TO-BE JAZZ LOVERS

When: Monday, June 5, at 1 p.m.

What: "Jazz From A to Z: What Is It?"

Where: USC Gerontology Auditorium

Professor Thom Mason, Founder of the Jazz Studies Program at USC's Thornton School of Music will guide us through the development of jazz from its birth to the present. We will gain an appreciation of the genre and outstanding performers (Goodman, Fitzgerald and more). Come ready to enjoy his discussion and to hear some outstanding music. Please RSVP to cgustin@usc.edu or 213-740-7122.

Co-sponsored by the Emeriti Center, the Emeriti Center College, the Staff Retirement Association and the Retired Faculty Association.

– Carole Gustin, President, Staff Retirement Association

Note: SRA members will meet at 11:30 a.m. in GER 224 for our General Meeting. Watch for your notice.
INCREASE YOUR INCOME

Is the value of your home increasing, while your income could use a needed boost?

- Learn how you can increase your income and receive an income tax deduction while living in your home and gifting it to USC to benefit the USC Emeriti Center or another university endeavor.

- If you plan to sell your home or other real estate, learn how you can boost your profits by avoiding all or most capital gains tax, receive a charitable income tax deduction, and partially tax exempt income for you and your spouse’s lifetimes through a transfer to a charitable remainder trust or charitable gift annuity.

- Discover other ways of benefitting yourself and your family through creative estate and gift planning, while making a gift to USC.
- Enjoy membership in USC’s legacy society, the Trojan Founders Circle.

**SAMPLE RATES FOR CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITIES**

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*Sample based on current rate schedule set by the American Council on Gift Annuities.

For more information, call Jane Page at: (213) 740-2682 or send an email to: page@usc.edu

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Betty Redmon who was recently honored by the Office of the Provost with Emerita status for her work as the Executive Director of the USC Emeriti Center and Executive Director of the Association of Retirement Organizations in Higher Education.

And kudos to the Emeriti Center’s own Gloria M. Reyes who was elected in November to a two-year term to the USC Staff Assembly. Her term began in December. She invites those with concerns or suggestions to contact her at (213) 740-8921, or send an e-mail to: gmreyes@usc.edu.

A Benefit Clarification

A notice in the November newsletter misstated the cost for retirees to join the University Club (formerly the Faculty Center). To clarify, continuation of membership is free for members who paid dues for five consecutive years prior to retirement, otherwise membership is available at the regular rate (not the reduced $60 rate we listed...our apologies).

In addition, you must notify the University Club of your retirement and fill out a new application to update your information. If individuals were part of the former Faculty Center, but did not re-apply upon retirement, then their memberships were deemed “inactive.” Individual scenarios can be reviewed by the University Club board on a case by case basis.

* To join the University Club, or to review your membership, please contact Yvonne Unger at (213) 740-2030.
Recognition Luncheon Honors Newly Retired Faculty

More than two dozen retiring faculty were honored at a gala luncheon hosted by the Office of the Provost. Executive Vice Provost Barry Glassner addressed the crowd.

THE PROVOST’S annual Retired Faculty luncheon was held on Thursday, Nov. 17 at USC Town & Gown. This event honored the 26 faculty who retired in 2004-2005 for their distinguished service to the university, seventeen of whom were in attendance.

“These faculty have contributed to USC’s reputation as the world-class research university it is recognized as today,” said Bob Coffey, president of the Retired Faculty Association.

THE EVENT began with a reception on the Town & Gown patio. Executive Vice Provost Barry Glassner helped to recognize the contributions of the retirees over lunch, and spoke about the Office of the Provost’s new initiatives.

“For the first time,” said Bob Biller, Emeritus Professor of Public Administration, “this year’s luncheon had deans and designated representatives of deans for the academic units of all 17 of the 2004-05 faculty retirees who were able to attend the luncheon – to recognize that respect, recognition, colleagueship, support, and the opportunity for continued meaningful contributions continues into retirement.”

THE SENIOR FACULTY who retired – and their schools or units are:

• USC Marshall School of Business: Richard McBride, professor;
• USC School of Cinematography and Television: Kenneth K. Miura, executive director, special projects;
• USC Annenberg School of Communication: Walter R. Fisher, professor;
• USC Rossier School of Education: Edward J. Kazlauskas and Donald E. Polkinghorne, professors of education;
• USC Viterbi School of Engineering: Hans H. Kuehl, professor of electrical engineering;
• Keck School of Medicine of USC: James R. Bading, research professor; Rodanthi C. Kitridou, professor of medicine; Margaret M. McCarron, professor of medicine; Mildred Milgrom, professor of medicine; Zdena Pavlova, professor of clinical pathology and pediatrics; Robert B. Sitzman, professor of medicine; Sharyn M. Walker, professor of pediatrics, Children’s Hospital; Albert E. Yellin, professor of surgery; and Mimi C. Yu, professor of preventive medicine.
• USC School of Pharmacy: Natalie S. Cohen, research professor (molecular pharmacology and toxicology); and
• USC School of Social Work: Barbara Solomon, professor of social work.
Be a Benefactor, Recognize a Colleague or Friend

The Emeriti Center’s Benefactor Program, founded by J. Tillman Hall, Former Director and Norman R. Fertig, Associate Director Faculty, presents an opportunity for you to become a benefactor of the Emeriti Center and at the same time give recognition and honor to a colleague or friend.

Your tax deductible gift of $500 or more expresses your support of the work of the Emeriti Center while exhibiting respect, gratitude or affection toward someone who is or was faculty, staff, an alumnus, alumna, or a family member or friend of USC who has been meaningful in your life.

To participate, be sure to indicate that your gift of $500 or more is in honor or in memory of someone. An engraved plate names the donor(s) and honoree. This plaque is displayed in the front office of the Emeriti Center and may be viewed by guests, retirees and colleagues throughout the university, all of whom have high regard for the quality of our programs that take place throughout the year. A letter of recognition to you and to your designate will follow the receipt of your gift.

Initial funding for this project was made possible by The Albert and Elaine Borchard Foundation. We invite you to visit the campus and our Center at any time.

Fall 2005 Benefactor Recognition Program Donations

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To honor a colleague, coworker, family member, or friend through a $500 gift to the Emeriti Center Benefactor Program:

I wish to honor ___________________________________________________________________ with my enclosed gift of $500.
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Please make check payable to: “USC Emeriti Center”
Mail to: 3715 McClintock #220, Los Angeles, CA 90089-0191
eras and hear faculty and staff describe what the campus was like on videotapes that are catalogued in the Gerontology Library.

These tapes are part of the USC Emeriti Center's signature program, the H. Dale Hilton Living History Project, which was begun in 1990. There are currently 42 videotapes in the collection, plus a couple of audiotaped interviews. But videotapes don't last forever.

Soon after being named executive director of the Emeriti Center, Janette C. Brown learned that funds from USC's 125th anniversary would be available to convert the existing videotapes to DVD technology.

“We were concerned that the videotapes might deteriorate over time and the memories would be lost,” said Brown, “so it was wonderful to receive this news.”

Brown contracted with USC alumnus Jimm Vest’s Edit Systems, Inc., to take on the digitization project that is nearing completion.

Vest will provide CDs that can be checked out for viewing, as well as copies for the interviewee, the Emeriti Center, USC Public Relations, USC Archives and the interviewee’s school or department.

The memories and impressions of USC's vast retiree community are a valuable resource when piecing together the university's history.

Ten new candidates will soon receive letters inviting their participation in this important project that honors their university service.

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**Alumni Association & USC Emeriti Center, the Perfect Partnership**

For several years now the USC Alumni Association’s Newport-Irvine Alumni Club has worked closely with the USC Emeriti Center College to provide a speaker series for the more than 22,000 USC alumni in Orange County.

The program has been very successful and became an excellent model for an expanded partnership between our two organizations. This fall, access to the Emeriti Center College’s Speaker Directory was expanded to all USC alumni clubs throughout the country and around the world.

Alumni club leaders are thrilled with the opportunity to tap into such a rich resource of expertise to expand the variety of programming for their memberships. Requests for Emeriti College speakers are coming in from the local area and across the country. At the same time, all Emeriti Center members now have the opportunity to stay connected to the Trojan Family through our network of alumni clubs and organizations in Southern California and throughout the world.

Alumni clubs offer a variety of events and activities throughout the year that provide an important connection to fellow Trojans and to USC. The mutual benefits of this expanded partnership are very exciting. We encourage all Emeriti Center members to join an alumni club in their local areas. Information about USC alumni clubs and a calendar of club activities can be found on the USC Alumni Association Web site, http://alumni.usc.edu

— Judith F. Blumenthal, Associate Vice President, Alumni Relations, USC Alumni Association
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The Eighth Annual Noboru Inamoto Lecture

Barbara Inamoto with Dr. Michael Blaker, following the Emeriti Center’s Eighth Annual Noboru Inamoto Lecture on Dec. 8. Dr. Blaker addressed the topic “Can Japan Become a Major Diplomatic Power?” and discussed the obstacles facing Japan in playing a more prominent diplomatic role regionally and globally.

If you were unable to attend and would like a copy of the lecture, send an e-mail to <emeriti@usc.edu> or call 213-740-7122

They’re Ready to Serve! Front row, from the left, Bob Biller, Mitzi Tsujimoto, Carole Gustin, Janette Brown, Bob Scales; Back row, from left, Bob Coffey, Jennifer Ontai, Gloria Reyes, and Judy Diaz. Their handy titles and e-mail addresses can be found following their names on this page. Send one of them a message to tell them what your volunteer interests are. (Not in photo: Michael H. Halloran and Christine E. Shade.)
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**Selected Calendar Events:** For a full selection of events at USC, go to www.usc.edu/ and click on “Arts and Events.” The Calendar page has just been redesigned, so take some time to familiarize yourself with the new format! Then delve deeper to get full information on the events listed below and find other great selections!

- **Feb. 15 - April 15, noon - 5 p.m.:** “From Albers to Lichenstein” at the Fisher Gallery
- **March 3, 7 p.m.:** Soweto Gospel Choir, Bovard Aud., a USC Spectrum Event
- **April 18 - 21: 7:30 p.m.:** First Look Film Festival, Directors Guild of America
- **April 20 & June 7:** Literary Luncheons – Friends of the USC Libraries Literarcy Series, Doheny Memorial Library